facility whereas those contributing from their monthly salaries through ESI deductions are not properly taken care of by the concerned medical authorities;

(b) if so, what action is being taken by ITDC to have uniform medical facilities for its employees throughout the country irrespective of their scale of pay, place of duty/work etc.;

(c) the names and designations of those ITDC employees unit-wise/division-wise who have been reimbursed more than Rs. 5000/- in a particular year since April, 1984 to December, 1987 with reasons and justification in each case; and

(d) whether any action is being taken by the Management against the employees who are mis-using this 100 per cent reimbursement facility in league with certain officials stated to be working in ITDC's Corporate Office?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. All the ITDC employees are being provided with medical facilities in accordance with the provisions contained in the ITDC Medical Attendance Rules; except those employees who are statutorily covered under the Employees State Insurance Act.

(c) The requisite information is given at Annexure. (*See* Appendix CXLVI, Annexure No. 88)

(d) Out of four complaints received for mis-use of medical facilities against ITDC employees, three were not substantiated and in the fourth case no vigilance angle was involved.

Duty Meal/Allowance in ITDC

2265. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the Indian Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) employees have been provided with the facility of Meal Allowance and or Duty Meal through facility of Executive Dining Room etc. throughout the country;

(b) if so, give the details of such employees, designation and scale-wise so covered under the above facilities/unit/division-wise alongwith the cost charged/payment made in lieu thereof from each by ITDC Management;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Meal Allowance is taken as part of Income for the purpose of Income-tax annually in case of workman category of employees; and

(d) if so, what is the position of food/duty meal as served to the Executives through EDR facilities etc., and the quantum of amount, if any, taken in the income of any Executive/officali ,during the last three years while calculating/computing the income-tax in each division/unit of ITDC be given separately till March, 1988?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) All non-executives (except food Preparation Staff) working in ITDC Hotel Units are entitled to Meal Allowance. The Food Preparation Staff is allowed free duty meals in addition to Special Allowance of Rs. 20/- per month per head. All the Executives are provided free duty meals as per the practice prevailing in the Hotel Industry.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Duty meals served in executive dining room are not taken as income of the Executives since such meals are not deemed as perquisites.